

- patient to participate in activities without the risk of physical harm (this does not include a physical escort); or,
- (B) A drug or medication when it is used as a restriction to manage the patient's behavior or restrict the patient's freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment or dosage for the patient's condition;
- (37) "Seclusion" means the involuntary confinement of a patient alone in a room or an area from which the patient is physically prevented from leaving;
- (38) "Social work services" shall be performed in accordance with accepted standards of practice and applicable law by a licensed clinical social worker or licensed master social worker currently licensed under Chapter 383b of the Connecticut General Statutes;
- (39) "Speech and language therapy services" shall be performed in accordance with acceptable standards of practice and applicable law by a speech and language pathologist currently licensed under Chapter 399 of the Connecticut General Statutes;
- (40) "Spiritual counseling" means the assessment and delivery of services in accordance with the patient and family's beliefs;
- (41) "Spiritual counselor" means a person who is ordained clergy (individual ordained for religious service), pastoral counselor or other person who can support the patient's spiritual needs;
- (42) "Patient" means a person that is terminally ill and has a medical prognosis with a life expectancy of 6 months or less if the illness runs its usual course; and,
- (43) "Volunteer" means a person who receives no remuneration for services provided to the hospice.

19a-495-6b Applicability

- (a) Any person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution or agency, public or private, initially licensed prior to the effective date of these regulations under Connecticut General Statutes section 19a-495 to operate a hospice as defined in section 19-13-D1(b)(1)(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies shall comply with the requirements set forth in sections 19a-495-5 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. Any hospice facility operating under said regulations may file an application with the Department for an initial license to operate a hospice inpatient facility in accordance with section 19a-495-6c of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. Upon issuance of said license, the hospice facility shall comply with sections 19a-495-6a through 19a-495-6n, inclusive, of the Regulation of Connecticut State Agencies and shall immediately surrender its pre-existing license to operate a hospice facility.
- (b) Any person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution or agency, public or private applying for licensure to operate a hospice inpatient facility on or after the effective date of these regulation shall comply with sections 19a-495-6a through 19a-495-6n, inclusive, of the Regulation of Connecticut State Agencies.

19a-495-6c Licensure Procedures

- (a) No person, group of persons, association, organization, institution or agency, public or private shall establish, conduct or maintain a hospice inpatient facility without a license issued by the Commissioner of Public Health in accordance with this section and section 19a-491 of the Connecticut General Statutes. A hospice inpatient facility shall secure such licenses or government authorizations to provide hospice care services for terminally ill persons on a twenty-four-hour basis in all settings including,